## Brian Alexander Todd - Curriculum Vitae

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### **Education**

PhD 2003 Case Western Reserve University

Biomedical Eng (Biomaterials), Advisor: Prof. Steven J. Eppell

B ChE 1997 Georgia Institute of Technology

Chemical Eng, Certificates in Biomedical Eng and Biochemistry

### **Professional Experience**

2003 – Lab of Physical and Structural Biology, National Institutes of

Health (NICHD)

Postdoctoral Research, Advisor: Dr. V. Adrian Parsegian

Single molecule studies of condensed DNA

2004 – Protiveris, A BioMEMs Company, Rockville MD

Consultant

Development of on-line calibration for microcantilever-based

detection of biomolecular interactions

2002 – 2003 Dept of Biomedical Eng, Case Western Reserve University

Postdoctoral Research, Advisor: Prof. Steven J. Eppell

Acquisition and Modification of Tunable Femtosecond Laser and Scanning Near Field Optical Microscope for Biological Research

1997 – 2002 Dept of Biomedical Eng, Case Western Reserve University

Graduate Research, Advisor: Prof. Steven J. Eppell

Instrumental Analysis of Scanning Force Microscopy for Nanoscale

Biomaterials: Applications to Cartilage

*Undergraduate Research, Advisor: Prof. Anthanassis Sambanis*Fabrication and Characterization of a Bioresorbable Coating that Promotes Angiogenesis

1995 - 1996 Electronic Data Systems, Utilities Division, Atlanta, GA

Software Engineer

Provided support programming for utilities simulation software

# **Teaching Experience**

2004 -	Part-time Faculty, Montgomery College, Germantown, MD Lecturer in the Business, Science, Mathematics, and Technology Division
2000 - 2001	<b>Director,</b> <i>CWRU–Superior Mentoring Program</i> Organized a program pairing 24 CWRU students with 6 <sup>th</sup> graders at Superior Elementary in East Cleveland
1998 - 2001	<b>Mentor,</b> <i>CWRU–Superior Mentoring Program</i> Mentored 4 6 <sup>th</sup> graders at Superior Elementary in East Cleveland, helping prepare for state proficiency exam
1996 - 1997	<b>Teaching Assistant</b> , <i>Prof. Ronald Felton</i> , <i>Dept of Chemistry</i> , <i>GIT</i> Physical Chemistry II, Thermodynamics Physical Chemistry III, Statistical Mechanics

#### Honors/Awards

2004	Fellow Award for Research Excellence, National Institutes of Health
1997 - 2002	Whitaker Foundation Traineeship
2001	American Chemical Society Student Travel Award
1997	High Honors

## **Peer Reviewed Publications**

- [1] Probing the limits of the Derjaguin approximation in DLVO force measurements by scanning force microscopy. B.A. Todd, S.J. Eppell, *Langmuir* **20**: 12, 4892–4897 (2004).
- [2] The inverse problem of scanning force microscope force measurements, B.A. Todd, S.J. Eppell, *Journal of Applied Physics*, **94**: 5, 3563–3572 (2003).

- [3] Connecting nanoscale molecular images with biophysical function. B.A. Todd, J. Rammohan, S.J. Eppell, *Biophysical Journal*, **84**, 3982–3991 (2003).
- [4] Molecular views and measurements of hemostatic processes using atomic force microscopy. R.E. Marchant, I. Kang, P.S. Sit, Z. Yue, B.A. Todd, S.J. Eppell, I. Lee, *Current Protein and Peptide Science*, 3: 3, 249–274 (2002).
- [5] Squeezing out hidden force information from scanning force microscopes. B.A. Todd, S.J. Eppell, F.R. Zypman, *Applied Physics Letters*, **79**: 12, 1888–1890 (2001).
- [6] A method to improve quantitative analysis of SFM images at the nanoscale. B.A. Todd, S.J. Eppell, *Surface Science*, **491**: 3, 473–483 (2001). [special issue on SFM of biomaterials]
- [7] Improved analysis of time domain response of scanning force microscopy cantilevers. B.A. Todd, S.J. Eppell, F.R. Zypman, *Journal of Applied Physics*, **88**: 12, 7321–7327 (2000).

# **Conference Proceedings**

[1] Improved algorithm to extract force—distance curves from scanning force microscope data. S.J. Eppell, B.A. Todd, F.R. Zypman, *Materials Research Symposia Proceedings* Vol **189**, 189–194 (2000).

### **Conference Podium Presentations**

- [1] Linking atomic force microscope images of proteins to their genetic sequence. B.A. Todd, S.J. Eppell, invited talk at *Microscopy and Microanalysis*, Quebec City, Canada (2002).
- [2] Recovery of AFM force–distance data in the snap–to–contact region: The essential nature of cantilever shape. B.A. Todd, F.R. Zypman, S.J. Eppell, <u>International Conference on Scanning Probe Microscopy, Cantilever Sensors and Nanostructures</u>, Seattle, WA (1999).
- [3] Production and analysis of high resolution polymer replicas of fibrillar collagen. P. Sims, B.A. Todd, S.J. Eppell, T. Li, K. Park, R. Albrecht, invited talk at *Microscopy and Microanalysis*, Portland, OR (1999).

[4] Accurate force—distance curves in the snap—to—contact region. B.A. Todd, F.R. Zypman, S.J. Eppell, talk at *Joint Ohio Section Fall Meeting of APS, AVS, and MatNet*, Akron, OH (1998).

### **Conference Posters Presentations**

- [1] Linking primary structure and biochemical function with protein conformation measured by scanning force microscopy. B.A. Todd, S.J. Eppell, *Biophysical Society*, San Francisco, CA (2002).
- [2] Improved range and resolution in scanning force microscope force measurements. B.A. Todd, S.J. Eppell, F.R. Zypman, Abstracts of Papers of the *American Chemical Society* 221: 253–COLL, Part 1 Apr 1, San Diego, CA (2001).
- [3] Improved algorithm to extract force—distance curves from scanning force microscope data. B.A. Todd, S.J. Eppell, F.R. Zypman, poster at <u>Materials Research Society</u>, Boston, MA (2000).
- [4] Submolecular structure of aggrecan by atomic force microscopy. B.A. Todd, S.J. Eppell, poster at *Biomedical Engineering Society*, Cleveland, OH (1998).

## **Popular Press Coverage**

- [1] Atomic Force Microscopy Yields 3D Protein Structure, Physics News Update, <u>The AIP Bulletin of Physics News</u>, Number 582 #3, March 26, 2002 by Phil Schewe, James Riordon, and Ben Stein
- [2] CWRU researchers demystify protein at root of osteoarthritis, *CWRU Campus News*, July 23, 2002 by Marci Hersh

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